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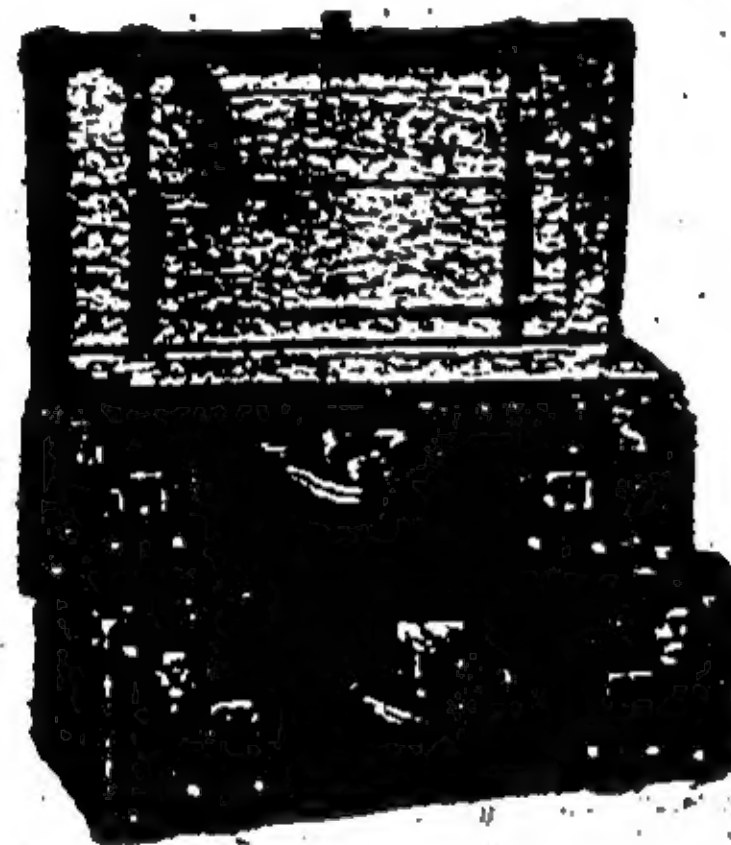


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IRISH SITUATION DEBATED.

THE COLLINS-DE VALERA COMPACT.

IMPORTANT SPEECH BY MR. CHURCHILL.

LONDON, May 31.

The House of Commons, despite the Derby was crowded for the Irish debate. Lord Fitzalan, Lord Birkenhead and Messrs. Collins, Griffith and Duggan were present in the galleries. Mr. Churchill said that the consequences of the Collins-De Valera compact were most serious. It was probable that the Irish would be unable freely to express their views of the treaty and the election of the Parliament resulting therefrom would be arbitrarily divided on the supreme issue of the establishment of a republic government. He was wisely disposed to relax vigilance or responsibility in regard to the faithful carrying out of the treaty provision compact. Including four anti-Treatyites the new Government struck directly at the Treaty. If those four were willing to sign a bona fide declaration of adherence to the Treaty the Imperial Government would have no ground for complaint. If not then the treaty would be broken and the Imperial Government would resume liberty of action with regard to the resumption of transferred powers or re-occupation of territory.

The provisional Government's explanation of anarchy in Ireland as the reason for entering into the compact showed how low civic courage and manhood in Ireland had fallen. After referring to the compact's grave effect in Ireland Mr. Churchill said the provisional Government had kept its promise of submitting a draft of the free state constitution to the Imperial Government and it had been examined by the British signatories to the treaty and would be published shortly after Whitehall enabling the House of Commons to judge whether it conformed to the treaty. Mr. Churchill concluded by expressing confidence in the members of the provisional Government not acting in bad faith with the intention of betraying British confidence and Ireland's name. He believed they were resolved to carry out the treaty but was doubtful whether their policy would succeed. The Imperial Government at least had done its duty.

SIR JAMES CRAIG AND THE SOUTHERNERS.

LONDON, May 31.

Sir James Craig announced in the Northern parliament that he has accepted the British Government's invitation to go to London to-night to discuss the future situation on the distinct understanding that he would not be asked to meet the South Irish representatives.

DESPERATE FIGHTING AT BELFAST.

LONDON, May 31.

Four were killed and ten wounded in a desperate fighting at Belfast to-night.

FRENCH CHAMBER DISCUSSES GENOA.

PARIS, May 31.

The Chamber of Deputies opened the debate on Genoa. The socialist M. Sembat emphasised the opinion abroad especially in Britain that France must change her policy towards Germany in order to preserve Anglo-French friendship. He expressed gratification that the possibility of occupation of the Ruhr was averted.

M. Poincare read a social motion urging the reconstruction of France and Europe simultaneously with Russia and excluding the spirit of war. M. Poincare remarked that all were agreed on that.

M. Sembat, speaking last, exhorted France to resume her tradition as the liberator of peoples and to collaborate with Germany.

The Chamber adjourned to to-morrow.

ATTACK ON RUSSIAN CHURCH.

BRITISH ECCLESIASTICS PROTEST.

LONDON, May 31.

A telegram has been sent to the Soviet at Moscow signed by the leaders of all the churches in Britain protesting against the attack on the Russian church which was especially concentrated upon the patriarch Tikhon in connection with the alienation of church treasures for famine relief. The Archbishop of Canterbury has been informed that the Pope is making independent representations.

ALIENS' ACT TO BE AMENDED.

LONDON, May 31.

In the House of Commons Mr. H. H. Shortt replying to Sir J. H. Davidson said he hoped to introduce a bill amending the British Nationality Status of Aliens Act after the recess.

EX-IMPRESS WIFE HAS DAUGHTER.

MADRID, May 31.

The Ex-Press wife has given birth to a daughter.

THE DOLLAR.

To-day's closing rate: 2.75 1/2.
To-day's opening rate: 2.75 1/2.

THE DERBY.

CAPTAIN CUTTLE HAS EASY WIN.

LONDON, May 31.

The placed horses in the Derby were:-

Captain Cuttle (10 to 1) 1
Tamar (10 to 1) 2
Chasingwater (20 to 1) 3

There were thirty starters. True Knight, Shikellion and Ceylonese did not run.

HOW THE WINNER WON.

THE RACE DESCRIBED.

LATER.

As the race was a glorious day though sweltering, many being overcome before the racing started. Their Majesties the King and Queen, the Duke of York, Prince, Henry, and Princess and Viscount Lascelles were present.

After a breakaway caused by Tamar and Norenan, Captain Cuttle led from Psychology, Captain Cuttle, Scamp, Irish Breeze, St. Louis and Pondoland. That order was maintained for five furlongs when Scamp went up second in front of Captain Cuttle, Psychology and St. Louis. Rounding Tattenham Corner Scamp weakened whereupon Captain Cuttle joined him, who weakened in the next few strides leaving Captain Cuttle clear of Tamar, Psychology, Chasingwater, Simon Pure and St. Louis. The race was virtually over when Lord Wooler's colt, increasing its lead at the distance finally won easily. St. Louis was fourth, Simon Pure fifth, Villars sixth and Loxley last.

The time taken was 2 mins. 31.3 Secs.

THE REPARATIONS QUESTION.

LLOYD GEORGE REVIEWS THE SITUATION.

REMISSION OF WAR DEBTS.

LONDON, May 31.

In the House of Commons debate on reparations Mr. Lloyd George and Mr. Chamberlain had urged the withdrawal of the armies of occupation from Germany. Mr. Lloyd George said the question of reparations was in a fair way to accommodation and its critical aspect had momentarily disappeared. At present there was no cause for Anglo-French disagreement.

All reports indicated the likelihood of an arrangement being reached acceptable both to France and to Germany. The question of the remission of war debts was most important. It was impossible to contemplate the proposal that Britain should forgo her claims of three thousand millions against the allies without the remission of her own thousand millions of debts. Britain was willing to enter into any international discussion with a view to obliterating the whole war debts provided she received a benefit equal to that which she was prepared to confer (Chamberlain). He believed the present German Government was honestly doing its best to fulfil the Treaty but if a Government came in to resist the treaty Britain and France would act together but the isolated action of any ally would be disastrous for the entente.

GERMAN GOVERNMENT CHALLENGED.

BERLIN, May 31.

A vote of no confidence in the Government for "ignoring the Reichstag regarding the reparations negotiations" was rejected. The national and peoples parties and the communists supported the resolution.

TO BEAT THE BOLLWEIVIL.

USEFUL COTTON GROWING.

LONDON, May 31.

At the annual meeting of the Manchester Fine Cotton-spinners Association Mr. H. W. Lee announced that a subsidiary company in America was confident that it had found a means of checkmating the bollweevil by poisoning. Six hundred bales raised on nine hundred acres were treated with the poison whereas practically no cotton was got from a similar area which had not been treated.

TOBACCO CONCERNS COME ON.

NEW YORK, May 31.

Two tobacco concerns, the United Retail Stores Corporation and the Tobacco Products Corporation are combining the latter increasing its capital from \$33,000,000 to \$157,000,000 for the purpose of the necessary exchange of stock.

GERMANY'S TRADE.

BERLIN, May 31.

Germany's imports during April were marks and 28,261,000,000 her exports 22,994,000,000 marks. Her excess of imports was 5,267,000,000 marks compared with an excess of 1,534,000,000 marks in March.

OBITUARY.

WELL-KNOWN SHIPOWNER DEAD.

LONDON, May 31.

The death has occurred of Mr. Henry Witty, the well known shipowner.

MAJOR ARMSTRONG EXECUTED.

LONDON, May 31.

Major Herbert Armstrong, the Bay of Bengal was found guilty of the murder of his wife by a court-martial. He was executed by hanging.

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PUNISHMENT FOR WAR CRIMES.

ADDRESS BY VISCOUNT CAVE.

LONDON, June 1. Viscount Cave addressing the Grotius Society on the subject of war crimes punishment referred to Holland's attitude towards the allies' demand that the demand should have been based on charges of definite crimes known in law. He pointed out that sixteen cases of the allies forwarded to Leipzig resulted in only six convictions which were most unsatisfactory. The Hague court of international justice had still to win its spurs.

THE WORLD'S DRUG TRAFFIC.

SOCIETY OF FRIENDS DISCUSS IT.

LONDON, June 1. The drug traffic and the recuperation of opium growing were discussed at the yearly meeting of the Society of Friends when it was stated that valuable as were the League of Nations' resolutions little real headway would be made until the fundamental question of opium production was tackled. The peril of the world's drug traffic could only be solved by international action.

CHINESE PRIVILEGES IN HONGKONG.

CURIOSITY IN THE COMMONS.

LONDON, June 1. In the House of Commons the Hon. E. F. L. Wood replying to Sir J. D. Lees stated that by a proclamation issued in 1841 the Chinese inhabitants of Hongkong were secured in the free exercise of religious rites and social customs. The Treaty of Nanking (1842) ceded Hongkong to be governed as His Majesty directed.

INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL CONFERENCE.

PARIS, June 1. An international parliamentary commercial conference wherein twenty-two nations including Japan and China are participating has opened at Sorbonne. Exchanges and customs are the chief questions being considered.

RECORD TIME.

LATER. Captain Gault's Derby time was a record. The previous best was Spion Kop's 2mins 54 4/5secs. in 1920.

MARINE MISDOINGS.

CAUSED AN OBSTRUCTION.

In the Marine Court this morning before Commander C. W. Beckwith, the masters of three lighters were charged by J. H. Woodcock, master of the s.s. "Hoi Sang" with causing an obstruction with their lighters to the free access of the Han Tak Wharf. Complainant said that on May 30 at 1 a.m. he found the approach to the wharf obstructed by defendants' lighters. He damaged his superstructure considerably in manoeuvring to get alongside. Defendants who said they were delivering cargo, were each fined \$15. Ten masters and mistresses of boats were each fined \$5 for mooring their boats less than 100 yards from low water mark between 9 p.m. and 5 a.m.

QUEER SHOOTING AFFAIR.

Wanchai was the scene of a mysterious shooting affair last night. Police on duty on the Praya heard a revolver shot from the direction of Amoy Street and when they arrived there they found a Chinese man lying dead on a piece of vacant ground off the street. There was a bullet wound clean through the chest. The manner of the man's death recalled the two mysterious shooting affairs in Yau-mat previously reported. The bullet which was fired from close range from behind entered the small of the back and came out at the chest. No clue could be got as to the identity of the murderer.

A BATHING TRAGEDY.

Chan Yut, a linesman employed by the Telephone Coy., was bathing in the harbour yesterday with a friend when suddenly the latter disappeared. Chan swam round about the spot where he had last seen him for a long time, but his friend did not appear again, so he became frightened and swam ashore. He believes that his friend was drowned by being sucked down by a whirlpool.

FOR DRAGON FESTIVAL.

PEKING GOVERNMENT GETS A "SUB."

PEKING, May 31.

The Government has received an advance of \$1,450,000 from the banks to tide it over the dragon festival.

OFFICIAL NEWS.

FROM ANNUAL REPORTS.

Papers to be tabled at this afternoon's meeting of the Legislative Council include the annual reports for 1921 of the New Territories, the Observatory and the Land Officer. From them we take the following items:

The Crown Rent due in respect of leased lands in Hongkong and Kowloon amounted to \$192,417.02, an increase of \$43,037.78 on the previous year. The Village Rent Roll was \$3,412.95 a decrease of \$113.50.

The total area of land sold and granted on lease during the year 1921 was 564 acres 3 roods 7.91 poles of which 523 acres 0 roods .78 poles (including 361 acres for camphor growing) was in respect of lands dealt with by the District Officers; the total area resumed was 116 acres 1 rood 13.74 poles the excess of land granted over land resumed during the year was 448 acres 1 rood 29.17 poles. This is exclusive of quarries and lands for short terms or occupied under temporary permits issued by the Public Works Department.

During 1921 the rainfall registered at the Botanical Gardens was 107.83 inches.

On May 31 last year 3.25 inches of rain fell in one hour.

The principal features of the weather in 1921 were:—Heavy rainfall from April 27 to July 6, during which period 59 inches of rain fell on 39 days; and a drought from September 9 to the end of the year when only 1 inch of rain fell; abnormally low wind velocity in March, increasing gradually to normal in July.

The highest temperature last year was 92.2 deg. recorded on August 22. The net revenue collected under the Liquors Ordinance from Duties and Licensed Warehouses during 1921 was \$1,040,637.04 as compared with \$779,795.85 for 1920.

The net revenue collected under the Tobacco Ordinance in 1921 was \$1,062,031.14 as compared with \$631,877.66 for 1920.

The revenue for 1921 from the Opium Monopoly was \$3,338,197.99 as compared with \$4,317,970.90 for 1920, a decrease of \$979,772.91. The price of \$14.50 per taal was maintained throughout the year.

The total trade (excluding Treasure) for 1921 amounted to \$135,834,936 as compared with \$212,502,539 for 1920. Of this Imports were valued at \$68,143,059 (as against \$103,932,602 for 1920) and Exports at \$67,691,877 (as against \$108,569,937 for 1920). Treasure imported during 1921 amounted to \$13,797,095 (including \$5,447,487 of gold and \$8,349,608 of silver). Treasure exported during 1921 amounted to \$17,581,357 (including \$7,091,582 of gold and \$10,489,775 of silver).

The net revenue collected by the Imports and Exports Department in 1921 was \$9,040,866.17 an increase of \$311,221.76 as compared with 1920. The actual expenditure for the year was \$391,766.04 an increase of \$39,941.38 as compared with 1920. Of this increase over \$73,000 is attributable to the lower purchasing power of the dollar in rupees, that being the figure by which the cost of exactly the same quantity of Indian opium exceeded the 1920 figure. Personal emoluments, due to an increased staff and the revised rates of clerical salaries, show an increase of some \$17,000 over 1920, but this sum, as well as the cost of a motor-truck and of a more expensive type of uniform for Chinese Revenue Officers, is more than offset by savings in other directions.

UNLAWFUL ARMS.

EARN JAIL FOR POSSESSORS.

Magistrates Lindell and Fraser sat together in the Big Court at the Magistrate's Court this morning to hear the case in which a Chinese was charged with the unlawful possession of a fully loaded 5-chambered revolver at the junction of Ningpo and Reclamation Streets, Yau-mat. Defendant was arrested by Sgt. Neal at 8 p.m. on Monday, and the revolver was found in his girdle. He admitted the charge this morning but said he had been paid 20 cents to take the weapon from Hongkong to Yau-mat. Sentence of two years' hard labour was passed.

"A SERIOUS THING."

Inspector Furdon of Bay View Police Station charged a Chinese this morning with the unlawful possession of a revolver and trigger guard of which are missing. Defendant said that he had picked the revolver in a dust cart and intended to sell it as old iron. Remarking that it was a serious thing to be found with a revolver in this Colony, Magistrate Lindell passed sentence of 6 months' hard labour.

SATURDAY'S PARADE.

VOLUNTEERS WILL BE THERE.

LOTS OF NAMES NOW.

This notice issued by Acting Major A. Murdoch, Administrative Commandant of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps appeared in the newspapers on May 30:—"The response of the members of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps to the request for names of Volunteers for the parade ordered for June 30 in honour of the Birthday of H.M. the King is so very poor that it is nothing short of being a disgrace to the Unit."

"We are required to supply 50 men and it is up to you to see that discredit is not brought upon the Corps."

"Unless sufficient names are sent in by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, May 31, the H.V.D.C. parade will be cancelled."

A China Mail reporter "made enquiries at Volunteer Headquarters this morning and was informed by Sgt.-Major Westlake that the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps will take part in the King's Birthday parade after all. During yesterday, he said, he had received a large number of names and now they have more men than the 50 originally asked for. Altogether 56 names were received by 5 p.m."

Asked why there should have been such a lack of response in the first place, Sgt.-Major Westlake said that he thought that it was because most of the members of the Corps were ex-servicemen who had been through the war, and naturally they did not like the idea of having to turn out for parades for a "stunt" they were all so familiar with. He for one, had never for a moment seriously entertained the fear that the Corps would have been let down when the day fixed for the parade arrived. The notice had "fetched" them slightly, but even without it he did not doubt that enough men would have reported at Headquarters on June 3 to take part in the parade. He even feared that in a Unit comprising over 300 men, the awkward situation would have arisen of there being more men than were required on parade, and the officer in charge would be in the unpleasant position of having to "turn down" some of the men, which, of course, might have the effect of killing enthusiasm for future parades if the men argued—as has been his experience in the Army that they do—

"Well, what is the use of me turning out, anyway. They had more than they needed the last time." After all, he thought it was a good thing that the notice had been issued.

Another thing Sgt.-Major Westlake thought might have brought about the lack of response, was that each man was waiting for some one else to take the lead, arguing with themselves that in such a big Unit there were bound to be enough volunteers without their having to turn out. Then, of course, as soon as the situation was made known, they came "out of their shells."

A practice parade will be held at 5.30 p.m. to-morrow when it is hoped that all those who have sent in their names will make it their duty to turn out to learn the details of the parade even if not to "drill."

MIGHT HAVE BEEN CELEBRATING.

Two Chinese were charged before Police Magistrate Lindell this morning with having caused an obstruction on the Yau-mat (erry wharf). The Magistrate asked if the obstruction were due to the Dragon Boat Festival.

Inspector Willis said that they were too far away from the scene of the races for that to be the cause of the obstruction.

Magistrate: Then perhaps they were celebrating re-running of the ferries?

Inspector: Perhaps.

Magistrate (to defendants): I will let you off this time. You may go.

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De Vries entered the dining room, according to the passengers of the steamer, in a very hostile mood. When he saw the Belgian flag on the wall in back of the captain's place at the table he tore it down and threw it on the floor. Alexander Barr, the first officer of the steamer, who served as captain of a British infantry company in Belgium during the World War interfered.

De Vries is said by the passengers to have become abusive. Barr demanded that de Vries apologize for his conduct. The sentiment of the passengers was so against him that he averted trouble between himself and Barr by apologizing.

The passengers of the steamer said that de Vries had frequently made stirring remarks against the Belgians during the trip. He engaged in a bitter tirade against them and everything Belgian one night in the smoking room and one of the passengers gave him a tongue lashing that kept him quiet until the Saturday night affair.

SARCASTIC TCHITCHERIN.

What is truth? A Georgian appealed to Genoa to have Bolshevik bloodshed stopped in that country. Tchitcherin denied that any had taken place. There had been no rising to suppress. They were used to these false charges, and understood their purpose. However, he welcomed the interest shown in stopping bloodshed within or without Europe, and hoped it would turn to the military adventures in the Far Eastern republic, to the Polish occupation of Vilna, to the seizure of Bessarabia by Rumania, and to India, Egypt, Tunis, and other countries.

Dr. F. W. Foxworthy, forest research officer in the Federated Malay States, has been visiting Queensland for the purpose of making inquiries into forestry methods and administration. He left Brisbane recently for Sydney on his way to West Australia, thence to India. Dr. Foxworthy is an American by birth, and a graduate in science and forestry of an American University. For 12 years he has developed and directed the forest policy of the Philippine Government. He has been engaged in the Malay States for four years. Dr. Foxworthy has earned a world reputation in the science of forestry, particularly in forest botany and wood technology.

SKIRTS AND THE FIGURE.

SIR WILLIAM ORPEN'S
VIEWS.

Painter of modern women, war artist, and a writer of vivid prose and verse, Sir William Orpen, the witty Irish R.A., has now appeared as a dress reformer. With a *Daily Mail* man recently he discussed the fierce controversy over the long versus short skirt issue that is raging around Bond street.

"I saw the long dress, with its panels touching the ground, in Paris not ten days ago," he said. "Don't ask me what I think about it. Dress is not a question of inches off the ground or from the knee."

"There is not, and never has been, a dress designer who could make women dress as they should, according to their age, their figure, and their height. They simply will not do it."

"You see a woman of 49 walk into the Ritz or Carlton in an exquisite gown which suits her to perfection; she is undeniably lovely, no matter what the style may be. At once some wretched flapper rushes off and orders a dress just like hers, regardless of the fact that it makes her look a perfect fright."

"Long dresses are very good for fat legs; but every woman ought to know that without being told. Short skirts on a thin girl give you a view of a pair of spindly shanks; that won't stop them wearing them if it's the fashion."

"Fashion! What we want is the fashion of dressing, to show the best and not the worst of a woman. If a woman has a scraggy neck, by all means let her cover it. If she has a lovely arm, why cover it with a glove?"

"Yes, we have broken with the convention which kept a woman's ankles out of sight. I remember in the Irish home of my youth that no woman, even when seated, would dare to show her ankle. If it appeared as she sat down she would carefully pull her skirt over it—like this." And Sir William Orpen made that characteristic little gesture of the woman of the 'eighties and 'nineties pulling her skirt down.

"Was there never a period when woman dressed to suit her age?" the reporter asked.

"Not in Victorian days. Before that the older woman never appeared in public. After 28 she stopped at home. And now the grandmother parades her figure in the skirt of a girl of 20. You can't tell who or what she is until you see her face."

THE "PERFECT" PERIOD.

"There was one great period when women—and men too—were perfectly dressed, back in the 16th century. Do you see that doll? I am going to paint it. It is of that period and shows the dress to perfection. Thirty years ago one of the ex-Kaiser's ladies had a dress made to that model, and here is a photograph of her in it."

Sir William and the reporter looked at the doll together, a wonderful little figure with a skirt which flowed out from the hips and made a wide circle on the floor. A large bonnet almost hid her features.

"Nothing to be seen except the fact that there is a graceful woman in it? Exactly. New look here."

Sir William Orpen dragged a canvas out of a pile in a corner of his studio and showed one of his vivid masterful portraits, three-quarter length, of a fashionable woman of ten years ago, with a corset and panniers closely resembling that wonderful Italian gown of the 16th century.

"You see," he said, "how near they got to it a few years ago; but of course the dress fell straight from the panniers and ruined the effect. How could it be otherwise? To have widened the dress would have been ridiculous. How could a woman get in and out of a cab or walk down a crowded street in it?"

Sir William and the reporter went back to the photograph which showed

HONGKONG HONEY-MOONERS

LAND IN FRISCO.

The steamer "Nile," which arrived from the Orient, came close to being a honeymoon ship observes a recent issue of the *San Francisco Chronicle*. The captain and the doctor on the boat brought brides back with them. The wedding day of Captain John I. Kinley to Peggy Hull, a former newspaper correspondent, in Hongkong, occurred on Washington's birthday.

Captain Kinley is one of the youngest captains having a command on the Pacific, and served in the navy during the World War. He holds a master's certificate for both British and American merchantman vessels and has commanded several British steamers, though he is an American. The bride was Peggy Hull, a newspaper writer, who represented a news syndicate in France during the war. She later went to Siberia with the American forces and then to China.

She was about to sail for the United States after her world tour when she met Captain Kinley of the "Nile." The steamer on which she was to sail for the States, as well as the "Nile," were tied up in Hongkong by the Chinese stewards and dockmen's strike. A romance was the result of their friendship, so they were married on February 22 of this year.

Dr. G. D. Schoonmaker, the ship's doctor, was married in San Francisco before the "Nile" sailed for the Orient the last trip. His bride was to have made the round trip to the Orient with him and then start housekeeping. The strike happened and the couple spent their honeymoon in China, staying two months longer than they intended. Mrs. Schoonmaker is a Minneapolis girl. Both Mrs. Kinley and Mrs. Schoonmaker plan to establish homes in San Francisco.

KINEMA NOTES

"THE WOMAN THOU
GAVEST ME."

Among the realistic scenes in "The Woman Thou Gavest Me," a Paramount-Artcraft Special adapted from Hall Caine's novel, which will be shown at the World Theatre to-morrow, are a blizzard in the antarctic region, and a London fog. Both of these scenic effects are said to be startling in their effect.

Hugh Ford, who directed the picture, was the first director to produce on the stage a realistic London fog. This was done first in the London production of "A Dawn of a To-morrow" and it created a tremendous sensation. He later produced the same play in New York where much comment was caused by the novelty of his effects.

Mr. Ford was also the first person to produce a realistic snow storm on the stage. This was in a play called "Told in the Hills," which ran at the Lyceum, New York. Hitherto stage snow-storms had been crude things, laughable rather than convincing. In "The Woman Thou Gavest Me," both effects have been startlingly presented. Catherine MacDonald has the leading woman's role and Milton Sills, Jack Holt and Theodore Roberts are well cast.

A man in the dress of the same period. "Perfect!" said the painter. "And do you notice how closely his dress resembles that of the short-skirted modern woman? Draw a line across his knees where the breeches end and you have the short skirt with the panels falling on either side."

Sir William Orpen ended where he began, with a wish that women would dress to suit their figure.

DRAGON BOAT RACES.

YESTERDAY'S FESTIVAL.

As was briefly reported in last night's *China Mail*, the Dragon Boat Festival was celebrated by the Colony's Chinese population yesterday. Private celebrations were practically confined to the firing of crackers in Chinese residences and on the sampans and junks in the harbour. Joss papers were also burned in large quantities.

The public celebration of the festival took the form of the annual Dragon Boat races, in which the rich and poor alike joined with keen enthusiasm. The regatta was again held at North Point this year, in the stretch of water opposite the Ming Yuen Gardens. Large crowds thronged the beach soon after noon, and the festive spirit was everywhere evident. Quite a number of Europeans visited North Point later in the afternoon, and took keen interest in the proceedings. A large match erected on the beach and gaily decorated with flags, provided shelter from the sun for large numbers of ladies and children. The verandahs of the restaurant in Ming Yuen Gardens were also crowded.

From this comfortable and much sought after position, a very admirable view of the racing could be obtained.

Four large Dragon Boats with crews of between 30 and 40 each, dressed in suits of mixed colours and wearing red basket hats took part in the races. The mass of colour, representing nearly every hue of the rainbow presented a picturesque sight long to be remembered. There were altogether eight races, all of which were keenly contested, the crews timing their paddle strokes with the beating of the drums placed in the centre of each boat. As the boats quickened the splashes made by the paddles increased, and the boats shot forward like arrows in reply. Now one boat would get in front, then another and then all would get abreast again. All the while the excitement ashore was given vent to by yells of encouragement and the firing of crackers. There was plenty of noise but nobody cared; they were all out to enjoy themselves and the crowd took every ounce of fun they could from the sport, as only Chinese could. Three districts were represented in the races Yau-mat and Aberdeen (one boat each) and Shau-tiwan (two boats). The honours were pretty evenly divided.

The rowing race for European crews had to be cancelled owing to insufficient entries, only one boat turning up. At the conclusion of the races prizes were presented to the winners in the Ming Yuen Gardens by the proprietor of the Gardens. The prizes consisted of banners, with suitable inscriptions in Chinese; tiny silver medals kindly presented by the Asiatic Petroleum Company and monetary awards, amounting in all to \$100. Among the prize donors were Messrs. Liggett and Myers, A. S. Watson & Co., the Hongkong Dairy Farm Ice & Cold Storage Co., the Ming Yuen Gardens and the Comstock Mineral Water Works Company.

The management of the Ming Yuen Gardens are to be congratulated upon the successful organisation of the regatta, and the excellent catering for the large numbers of holiday-makers. They did unusually good business throughout the day.

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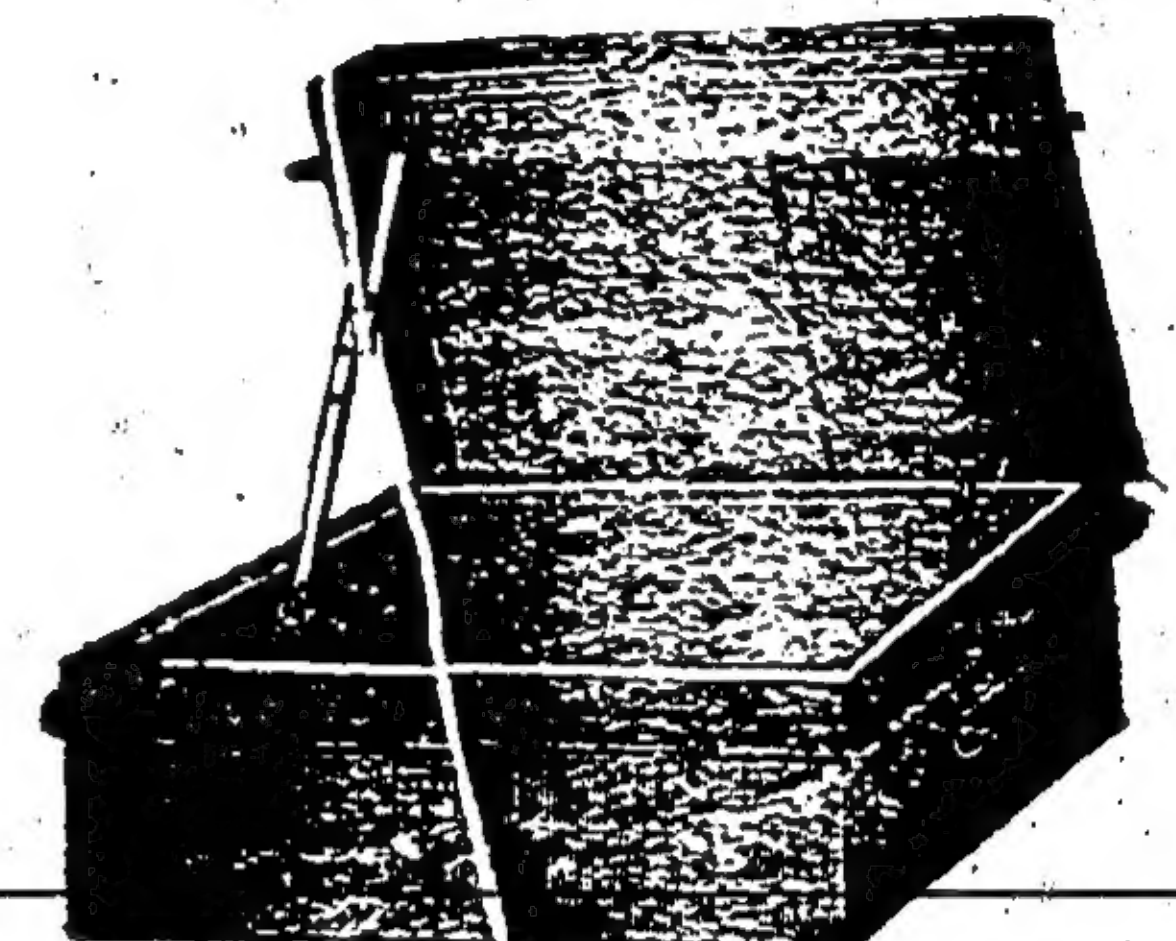
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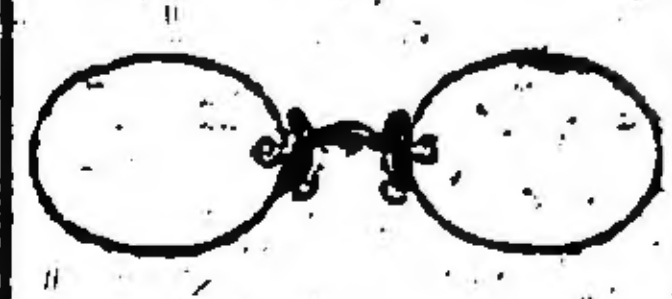
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